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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 20 August 2001.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 56-133 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 76-96 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 56-69, 75, 97-112 and 118-133 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 70-74 and 113-117 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 4/26/05.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Objections

1. Claims 66 and 109 are objected to because of the following informalities: Claim 66, line 2, acronym "UDP" needs to be defined. Appropriate correction is required. Claim 109, line 2, acronym "UDP" needs to be defined. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

3. Claims 56,67,75,102-107,110,118 and 119,123-127,131-133 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Pepe et al..

The claimed invention reads on Pepe et al. as follows:

Regarding claims 56,67 and 75, Pepe et al. discloses a method (fig. 15a and 15b) comprising: receiving a request over a

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wireless network at a network node (PCI server) (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18), wherein the request originates from a mobile device on the wireless network and is for a resource (e-mail) (fig. 1 number 22) on a wireline network (fig. 1 number 29), and wherein the network node is coupled to the wireless network and the wireline network (fig. 1 number 39); obtaining the resource over the wireline network using the network node (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18); processing the resource in the network node to make the resource more compatible with the mobile device or the wireless network or both (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18); and sending the processed resource from the network node to the mobile device over the wireless network as a response to the request (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18).

Regarding claims 60 and 102, Pepe et al. discloses processing the resource comprises encryption or decryption (i.e. the PCI server verifying PDA password) (col. 16 lines 12-51).

Regarding claims 61,106,123,131, Pepe et al. discloses a call processor (gateway server) to couple the wireless network to the wireline data network (fig. 5 number 110).

Regarding claims 62,124,132, Pepe et al. discloses an application server (proxy server) to proxy requests from the

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mobile device to remote servers on the wireline network (col. 8 lines 48-63).

Regarding claims 63,103,125,133, Pepe et al. discloses operating the network node to communicate with the mobile device over the wireless network using a first protocol (col. 8 lines 48-54); and operating the network node to communicate over the wireline network using a second protocol different from the first protocol (col. 10 line 63 through col. 11 line 6).

Regarding claims 64 and 105, Pepe et al. discloses operating the network node to collect transaction and billing information relating to communication between the mobile device and the remote processing system (col. 9 lines 40-55 and col. 27 lines 35-41).

Regarding claims 97,104,107,110,126,127, Pepe et al. discloses a server computer/processor (fig. 4 number 43) comprising: a processor (fig. 4 number 48); a first communication interface to communicate with a mobile device over a wireless network (fig. 4 number 54); a second communication interface to communicate with a remote processing system over a wireline data network (fig. 4 number 52); and a storage facility storing instructions for execution by the processor to cause the server computer to execute a process which includes

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receiving a request for a resource on the wireline network from the mobile device over the wireless network (fig. 4 number 44); obtaining the resource over the wireline network (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18); processing the resource to make the resource more compatible with the mobile device or the wireless network or both (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18); and sending the processed resource to the mobile device over the wireless network as a response to the request (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18). Pepe et al. further discloses receiving a request for a resource located on the wireline data network from a mobile device of a plurality of mobile devices (fig. 3 numbers 32,34,30) which operate on the wireless network (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18); responding to the request by obtaining the resource over the wireline data network and to send the resource from the network node to the mobile device over the wireless network (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18); and controlling access by the mobile device to payment-based services on the wireline data network (col. 9 lines 40-55 and col. 27 lines 35-41), including collecting transaction and billing information associated with providing resources on the wireline data network to the mobile device (col. 9 lines 40-55 and col. 27 lines 35-41).

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Regarding claim 118, Pepe et al. discloses a network apparatus coupled to a wireless network and to a wireline network (fig. 4) and comprising: means for receiving a request over the wireless network at the network apparatus (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18), wherein the request originates from a mobile device on the wireless network and is for a resource on the wireline network (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18); means for using the network apparatus to obtain the resource over the wireline network (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18); means for processing the resource in the network apparatus to make the resource more compatible with the mobile device or the wireless network or both (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18); and means for sending the processed resource from the network apparatus to the mobile device over the wireless network as a response to the request (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18).

Regarding claim 119, Pepe et al. discloses a method (fig. 15a and 15b) of operating a network node coupled to a wireless network and to a wireline computer network (fig. 15a and 15b), the method comprising: receiving requests for resources located on the wireline computer network from a plurality of mobile data-capable wireless communication devices on the wireless network (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18); responding to

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the requests by using the network node to obtain the resources over the wireline computer network and to send the resources from the network node to the mobile data-capable wireless communication devices over the wireless network (col. 18 line 45 through col. 19 line 18); and operating the network node to control access by the mobile data-capable wireless communication devices to payment-based services on the wireline computer network (col. 9 lines 40-55 and col. 27 lines 35-41), including collecting transaction and billing information associated with providing resources on the wireline computer network to the mobile data-capable wireless communication devices (col. 9 lines 40-55 and col. 27 lines 35-41).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

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5. Claims 57-58, 65, 66, 68, 98-101, 108, 120-122, 128-130 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Pepe et al. in view of Scholl et al..

Regarding claims 57-59, 65, 98-101, 108, 120-122, 128-130, Pepe et al. discloses a method/server/processing system as discussed supra in claims 56, 97, 119, 126 above. Pepe et al. differs from claims 57-59, 98, 99, 108, 120, 121, 128 and 129 of the present invention in that it does not disclose converting the resource (mark-up language) from a first language used on the wireline network to a second language used on the wireless network and a HTTP server. Scholl et al. teaches converting a hypertext markup language to a language used on a cellular telephone system (col. 6 lines 4-45) and a web (HTTP) server (fig. 5 number 3). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Pepe et al. with converting the resource from a first language used on the wireline network to a second language used on the wireless network and a HTTP server in order for the user of the PDA to browse the world wide on the internet of the wireline network, as taught by Scholl et al..

Regarding claims 66 and 109, Pepe et al. discloses a method/server as discussed supra in claims 56 and 97 above. Pepe et al. differs from claim 66 of the present invention in that it does not disclose a UDP module in addition to the HTTP server, and wherein the HTTP server uses the UDP module to communicate data with the wireless network. Scholl et al. teaches a TCP/IP module in addition to a HTTP server (col. 6 lines 4-31), wherein the HTTP server uses the TCP/IP to communicate data with a cellular telephony system (col. 6 lines 4-31). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Pepe et al. with a UDP module in addition to the HTTP server, and wherein the HTTP server uses the UDP module to communicate data with the wireless network in order for the PDA to browse the world wide web on the internet using a wireless internet protocol, as taught by Scholl et al..

Regarding claims 68 and 111, Pepe et al. discloses a

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method/server as discussed supra in claims 56 and 97 above. Pepe et al. differs from claims 68 and 111 of the present invention in that it does not disclose a HTTP GET request. Scholl et al. teaches a HTTP GET request (col. 5 lines 34-46). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Pepe et al. with a HTTP GET request in order for the PDA to request a Web page from the internet for viewing, as taught by Scholl et al..

6. Claims 69 and 112 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Pepe et al. in view of Shoham.

Regarding claims 69 and 112, Pepe et al. discloses a Method/server as discussed supra in claims 56 and 97 above. Pepe et al. differs from claims 69 and 112 of the present invention in that it does not disclose a URL for identifying the resource. Shoham teaches a URL for identifying a HTML (col. 6 lines 9-20). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to provide Pepe et al. with a URL for identifying the resource in order for the PDA to provide an internet address when requesting information from the internet, as taught by Shoham.

Allowable Subject Matter

7. Claims 70-74 and 113-117 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

8. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: Regarding claims 70 and 113, the prior art of record fails to teach or suggest alone or in

combination the response to the request comprises a card deck comprising one or more cards.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Keith T. Ferguson whose telephone number is (571) 272-7865. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:30am-4:30 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, William Trost can be reached on (571) 272-7872. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

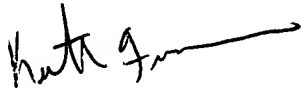
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